

Lichen planus

Diffenention:

- a chronic disease of the skin and the mucous membrane

- Common age: 20-50 years.

Clinical picture: (6)

- Characterized by itchy, shiny, flat-topped polyangular, violaceous papules on the face.

- There are white lines called Wickham's striae

- healing occurs after few weeks months with deep pigmentation

- The papules may ~~appear as~~ remain discrete or coalesce into

- may also appear as linear or annular lesions

- hyperkeratotic lesions may occur especially on the shin of the tipia.

Sites: (6)

- affects any part of the body surface especially the lumber regions ⁽¹⁾, genitalia ⁽²⁾ and around the ankles ⁽³⁾

- nails are affected of about 10% of cases in the form of longitudinal ridging or complete destruction of nails

- Some cases may appear on the sun exposed areas (lichen planus actinicus)